

## FROM JOHNSTOWN, PA.

The hot weather, as usual, has reduced the attendance, to some degree, the interest in church service here in the city. Our pastor, Brother Haskins, was granted a vacation of five weeks, which he has been spending along the coast of lake Michigan in his native state. We hope the rest has proven beneficial to him mentally and physically, and as he is expected to return within the present week, we know the work will move along again with renewed zeal and interest. Our local ministering brethren have been zealously keeping up a portion of the regular services during Brother Haskins absence. We have at present three Sunday-schools in the Johnstown congregation with an enrollment of about 400 members; all of which are in a prosperous condition. The Moxham school recently elected brother Austin Hayes superintendent, whose well known perseverance in religious work gives assurance of its future growth and success.

The 8th Ward school was organized in the spring by Brother Haskins, and is being successfully conducted under the efficient superintendency of brother Solomon Stahl. Each of our schools held interesting Children's Day services during the month of June. Our S. S. C. E. recently elected a new corps of officers to serve during the latter six months of the present year, with sister M. M. Smith as presiding officer. The Society gave an entertainment on the evening of the 11th inst, in Stewarts Hall, Moxham, to which a small admission fee was charged for the benefit of the Moxham Sunday-school. The entertainment was well patronized by an appreciative audience, and netted the Sunday-school about twenty-five dollars. We greatly miss the efficient help in the Sunday-school and S. S. C. E., of brother and sister Wm. Summersgill, who recently removed from this place to Homestead, Pittsburg, where Brother Will has accepted a position with the Carnegie Steel Co. Brother Summersgill is son-in-law to brother J. H. Knepper of Berlin, Pa., and has been a most zealous and successful worker among the young people of our congregation. Brother and Sister Summersgill are both earnest workers in the Master's vineyard and are worthy of the confidence and fellowship of any religious congregation. They carry with them the highest esteem and well wishes of the members of the Johnstown Brethren church. We believe our loss will prove a gain to the Brethren church of Pittsburg.

As treasurer of the Mission Board of Pennsylvania, I desire to state that the funds in the treasury are completely ex-

hausted, and our State Evangelist is not nearly paid up for his services in the Mission Field. My brethren, is there not some mistake somewhere? Is not somebody neglecting an important duty? We know that if each congregation in the state will forward only reasonably near the amount assessed by Conference for carrying on this work, there will be abundance of funds for the purpose. We appeal to you, pastors, of congregations that have not yet responded to this call during the present year, to give this matter immediate attention and forward your contribution, so that we may be enabled to pay for services rendered by our State Evangelist. Brethren, by a little effort this duty may be readily discharged, and the satisfaction, all will experience at our Annual Convention this fall, if our Mission Board report the State Evangelist paid up to date, will well repay the effort required to accomplish this most desirable consummation.

July 22.

ALBERT TRENT.

## FROM MARION, IND.

The church house at Marion, Ind., is now completed and will be dedicated August 4. Our Editor, Brother Gnagey, will be with us to officiate and also to preach several sermons for us. Brethren can come from any part of the State, as the Pan-Handle, Big Four and Clover Leaf all center in this city. This will be a good time to visit the great gas city and be present at the dedication. We hope to see many of the brethren present and give this new class some encouragement, and especially do we desire that the entire Mission Board of Indiana be present and see the fruits of their labor. Come one, come all and let us have a good meeting.

J. M. RITTGERS.

## NATIONAL K. C. CONVENTION PROGRAM.

Following is the Program of the National K. C. Convention, to be held at Ashland, Ohio, in September.

Prayer and Praise Service—Miss Mary Metzger, Elkhart, Ind.

Address of Welcome—Prof. J. Allen Miller, Ashland, Ohio.

Response—Miss Emma Puterbaugh, Lanark, Ill.

Appointment of Committees:

- (1.) Credentials and Enrollment.
- (2.) Nominations.
- (3.) Resolutions.

Music.

Report of National Secretary.

Report of National Treasurer.

President's Annual Address.

Discussion.

Importance of Junior Work—Lizzie Breneman, Lanark, Ill.

Essential Qualifications of the Junior

Instructor—Laura Robinson, Milledgeville, Ill.

City Work among children—D. J. Bole, Pittsburg, Pa.

Music.

The young man, and the track he leaves behind him—John Duke McFaden, Carleton, Neb.

An attractive Devotional service—Mrs. A. R. Bemenderfer, Dunlaps, Ind.

The Importance of Committee Work, in the K. C. Society—Martin Shively, Gratis, Ohio.

Literature for Young People—G. W. Rensch, Milford, Ind.

The Relation of the Pastor to the King's Children—Z. T. Livengood, Lanark, Ill.

Question Box.

Music.

King's Children Society, an Element of Strength in the Congregation—J. M. Murray, Aleppo, Pa.

Proper Entertainments for the King's Children—Pearl McPherson, Milledgeville, Ill.

What difficulties do you encounter in the maintenance of work among young people—Amanda Snyder, Louisville, O.

What interest should we have in the organization of the young?—Edward Haskins, Johnstown, Pa.

Why should each church organize a King's Children?—J. F. Koontz, Cone-maugh, Pa.

Report of Delegates.

Discussion.

Election of Officers.

## EVENING SESSION.

Devotional Services—Miss Clara Worst, Ashland, Ohio.

Bass Solo by Professor Beal.

Five minutes talk by pastors, interspersed with the following selections:

Male Quartette, Ashland K. C.

Solo—Miss Berkly.

Duet—Ashland K. C.

The day for the above Program will be announced later.

Do not dare to live without some clear intention toward which your living shall be bent. Mean to be something with all your might. Do not dare to think that a child of God can worthily work out his career, or worthily serve God's other children, unless he does both in the love and fear of God their Father.—*Phillips Brooks*.

MACHINE religion is like machine music—it has no soul in it. It lacks expression and tone. A hand organ may play a tune, but how much sweeter the same tune when it is produced by the touch of a master!—*Baltimore Advocate*.

A LIE is a blank cartridge fired at God.